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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph 0024 with the following amended paragraph:

0024 Fig. [47] 7 is a top view of a further embodiment of the arrangement of the non-transparent coatings 14. The transparent coatings 14 have rounded corner 30 on the side which is facing the first area 8 of the microscope slide.